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PROGRAM FOR CLOSE OF SCHOOL

Interesting Program Prepared by Faculty: Facts Concerning Work Accomplished by Pupils.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached Sunday, May 16th, at the Baptist church. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. J. Q. Herrin. Everyone is invited to attend.

Commencement night will be Friday, May 21st. The graduates are: Ima Hardgrave, Marion Gheff, Clarence Loveless, Rev. Dunn will deliver the class address. Admission free. The commencement for county school graduates for admission to the high school will be Thursday night. County Superintendent H. H. Errett will give the class address and present the diplomas. There will be a nominal admission. All of above exercises will be held at the Baptist church.

Thursday afternoon, May 20th, at the opera house, there will be a musical by the first and second primary grades. Everyone is most cordially invited. Mr. Rankin has kindly given the use of the opera house for the afternoon.

The second and third grades will combine and have an entertainment in the schoolhouse. The time will be Friday, May 21, 10:30 a. m. The fourth grade entertainment will be Friday, May 21, 2:30 p. m. Parents invited to attend.

J. W. Thompson, Supt.

The president of the state agricultural college was a visitor Wednesday. He had much of value to tell the pupils. He succeeded in forming a class of about fifty who will try for better farm products this year.

Industrial Work in the Clayton Schools

(From report of Superintendent J. W. Thompson submitted to Miss Nanette A. Myers, state supervisor of industrial education.)

In accordance with your request I am sending you my report of industrial work, which includes domestic art, manual training and agriculture. We have a special building devoted to manual training, but our equipment is poor and inadequate; notwithstanding this we have turned out some excellent work. The boys, under Mr. Jackson, have made towel racks, typewriter stands, tables, library cases, revolving bookcases, and many other useful articles. They have made many drawings to scale and have worked to them in turning out articles.

The class in agriculture includes a large number of boys and girls, and they are all deeply interested in soils, legumes, useful bacteria, fertilizers, fruits, stock, silos, and in everything pertaining to farming. They are taught the dignity of labor, and especially the dignity of all farm labor, and of the great independence of the farmer himself.

I have conducted the class in chemistry. I have tried to show the great value of industrial chemistry to the farmer, and of its practical value in every line of human industry.

The class in sewing has been very much interested in cutting, fitting, and in making their own undergarments. In doing this, they have used both hand and machine work. They have completed such garments as petticoats, combination suits, bloomers and corset covers. They were quite successful in the lessons on button-holes. The work of the class has been very favorably commented upon by many visitors. Miss Lillian Matthews is the instructor in domestic art. We have recently had an exhibit of all school work, from the primary to the high school. The drawings were excellent, and elicited much praise from visitors.

Next year we expect to make all of our industrial work more thorough and extensive.

Ollie B. Cox has purchased the W. O. Herring tailor shop, and will continue the business. Clothes cleaned and pressed like new.

New Firm For Clayton

Jacob Weber, Sr., of Shattuck, Oklahoma, has been in the city all week making arrangements for the opening of his store here. He will occupy the Tom Gray building with a complete stock of dry goods and groceries. The store will be under the immediate management of Mr. Weber's son, Ed, and his son-in-law, Rex Shaw. Jacob Weber & Sons are known as one of the leading mercantile firms of western Oklahoma, and we congratulate them upon locating in Clayton, and congratulate Clayton upon having them become interested in the city. They are old friends of The News man, and we can vouch for their good citizenship and fair, and square business methods.

Boost the University

Albuquerque, N. M., May 14.—The largest attendance of alumni on record was one of the notable features of the commencement exercises of the University of New Mexico, that closed with the address to the graduating class by Hon. Felix Martinez of El Paso, Texas. Graduates from all parts of the state gathered here and organized themselves into a "Boost the University" club, the object of which is to encourage New Mexico boys and girls to patronize the home state college.

Folsom Will Celebrate

The Folsom Industrial League is bending every effort to celebrate the Fourth of July in a grand and befitting manner. Of course Clayton is expected to be there to lend eclat to the occasion. Folsom is famous for her celebrations of the nation's natal day, and to all those who really wish for a good time in a cool and inviting city, we recommend Folsom on the 4th of July.

My Ford Car For Sale

See it at Pioneer Garage. Pike Stroud. 20-11.

J. D. Burch of near Wanette, attended to business in the city today.

T. L. Wiggins of near Keiton, attended to business in the city of stores today.

Jas. R. Wellette of near Mt. Dora, attended to business in the city Thursday.

Delfin Espinoza of Moses, was a business visitor in the city Friday and Saturday.

L. R. Stead of near Sedan, spent Thursday in Clayton trading and looking after business.

Mrs. A. G. Ray of near Staunton, was shopping and attending to business in the city Friday.

See G. C. Smith before you buy that buggy. He is agent for the best rig on the market.

Mrs. Massey of near Sedan, one of the real farmers of the county, attended to business in town Thursday.

John Scott of the Trampers part of the country, was in town Wednesday trading and looking after business.

Col. E. U. Jacobs, the popular auctioneer of near Mt. Dora, was a business visitor and trader in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. C. A. Pyle arrived Thursday from Carthage, Missouri, to join her husband who recently purchased a ranch near Clapham.

H. E. Keltner, operator at the C. & S. depot, left Wednesday for a trip through Colorado, Utah, and other western states.

M. Herzstein left in his car Wednesday for Ocate, New Mexico. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Sadie, and Miss Rose Ratchiff, who will remain there for a visit with friends.

Harry F. Rixey arrived in the city Wednesday from Weston, Missouri. He will relieve his brother, Tom, while he is taking a month's vacation from his arduous duties of bossing the State Bank of Commerce.

THE PRESIDENT'S NOTE IS FIRM

Points Out to Germany Inhumanity of Submarine Warfare, and Demands Justice for U. S. Citizens.

Washington, May 14.—The eyes of the government and the people of the United States are turned expectantly toward Berlin, where Ambassador Gerard has been instructed to present to the German foreign office the note calling the attention of the Imperial Government to the "unlawful and inhuman" destruction of the Lusitania and other violations of American rights on the high seas.

Germany is asked in the note to disavow the acts of her submarine commanders in the torpedoing without warning of the Lusitania, a British ship, with a loss of more than 100 American lives, and the American steamer Gulfport, as a result of which two or more American citizens met their death. Reparation, "so far as reparation is possible," is asked, and the United States declares it "confidently expects that the Imperial Government will take immediate steps to prevent the recurrence of such acts and practices."

No time is specified for a reply, but the communication says "the government and people of the United States look to the Imperial Government for justice, prompt and enlightened action in this matter."

The course to be pursued by the United States in the event of a non-compliance with its requests is not stated, but high officials pointed out that the conclusion of the note was intended to impress upon Germany that there should be no misapprehension in Berlin of the firm intention of the United States to safeguard its rights by any means necessary. This is expected in the final sentence which says, "The Imperial Government will not expect the government of the United States to omit any word or any act necessary to the performance of its sacred duty of maintaining the rights of the United States and its citizens and of safeguarding their free exercise and enjoyment."

As the note was read today by diplomats and officials one feature that attracted wide comment was the stand taken by the United States against the use of the submarine as a commerce destroyer.

Baccalaureate Services

At Baptist church Sunday morning, May 16th, 1915.

PROGRAM

Invocation.
"Gloria Patri."
Hymn, "Loving Kindness." Congregation.

Prayer.
Anthem, "The Lord Will Comfort Zion." Choir.

Scripture reading.
Offertory.
Trilo, "Father, Lead Me by the Hand." Miss Amussen, and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Rixey.

Sermon, "The Social Obligations of the Cross." Rev. J. Q. Herrin.
Anthem "The Sure Foundation." Choir.

Hymn, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" Congregation.

Vicente Garcia came in Wednesday from his ranch on the Trampers.

Peter Kierns of Sedan, was a business visitor and trader in the city Thursday.

D. B. Chiles has begun the construction of a new house on his lots near the light plant.

H. C. Rankin, who has been in Ft. Worth for several weeks, returned to the city Wednesday.

Henry Hammer of the Trampers country, was a business visitor and trader in town today.

Miss Kate Lewis of Des Moines, was in the city Wednesday visiting friends and having dental work done.
E. B. McKee of near Vance, attended to business in the city the first of the week. While here he had his name added to our subscription list. The News is the popular paper.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Adolph Wenz of near Pasamonte, attended too business in the city the first of the week.

Billy Clayton of the Seneca country, was a business visitor in the city the first of the week.

Mrs. H. J. Utterback returned on Sunday from Missouri where she has been visiting relatives.

Simon Herzstein, the popular boss of the Herzstein store, attended to business at Trinidad the first of the week.

C. E. Wood, one of our good regulars of the Coates country, was a business visitor and trader in the city the first of the week.

C. E. Warner of near Pasamonte, attended to business in the city Friday and Saturday. He made proof on his homestead while here.

Clair A. Roberts, one of the prominent stockmen of the southern part of the county, attended to business in the county seat the first of the week.

J. L. Pryor of Des Moines, sent us a money order this week for a year's subscription to The News. The News is the popular paper and they all want it.

"Buster" Hamilton of Oklahoma and "anywhere," the far-famed trader and horseman, has been in Clayton this week plying his profession with those who have an idea that they understand the game.

Joe Airhart, one of the prosperous young ranchmen of the Centerville country, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Airhart has one of the best ranches in the county, and has it well stocked.

James Ryan, official booster of the town of Folsom, and a mighty good friend of The News, spent several days in the county seat this week attending to business and hobnobbing with his many friends, and they are legion in Clayton.

J. J. Brophy, manager of the Otto-Johnson ranch in Cimarron county, and Mrs. Brophy, spent Wednesday and Thursday in the city trading and visiting friends. They left for the ranch early Friday morning. John is always a welcome visitor in Clayton.

O. Smith of near Amistad, nominee in the late election for representative on the progressive ticket, was a business visitor and trader in the city Thursday and Friday. Mr. Smith is one of the county's best citizens. He reports conditions in his section as very prosperous.

I. P. Vernon, the all wise, philosophical democrat and stockman of the Centerville country, spent several days in the county seat this week looking after business and attending to his taxes. Mr. Vernon reports conditions prosperous in his part of the country. His calf crop at present has passed the 250 mark, and the total will go far above that figure. No wonder Union county is prosperous, and "Dad" Vernon is one of the men who help to make it so.

D. C. Traister, one of the prominent and good citizens of the De Haven country, was a business visitor and trader in the city Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Traister is one of the big farmers of Union county, and recently purchased a large gasoline tractor which he will ritch to a twelve gang plow and proceed to tear up the earth. While here we turned out some nice job printing for him, and he also had his name added to our subscription list. The News is the popular paper.

R. M. Martin, one of the leading ranchmen of the Pasamonte country, came in Thursday to visit Mrs. Martin who has been in the city several weeks receiving professional treatment. He reports that his partner, "Uncle" Charlie Bond, who recently went to Denver to receive treatment for his arm which was broken last summer, and that never healed properly, that an operation performed by the surgeons on the injured member is proving entirely satisfactory. They removed a part of the bone of the forearm and inserted a silver plate.

A NATION TOO PROUD TO FIGHT

President Wilson Voices High Ideal of American Citizenship: American Action Will Be Right.

Philadelphia, May 11.—President Wilson made it plain in an address before 15,000 people here last night that the United States does not propose to go to war with Germany as a result of the destruction of the Cunard liner Lusitania by a German submarine last Friday off the Irish coast resulting in the loss of upwards of 200 American lives and approximately 1,000 other passengers a large number of them women and children.

"There is such a thing as a man being too proud to fight," declared the president, many of his auditors being naturalized citizens who loudly cheered the chief executive. Though he did not mention the Lusitania incident directly, his remarks were known to have a direct bearing on the crisis now confronting the American nation. The president said there was such a thing as being so right that it does not require action by force to impress such right.

A member of the cabinet who was present at the meeting made the statement that whatever steps were taken in the Lusitania matter would be for the interest of humanity as a whole and not for the advantage of any belligerent.

The president was wildly cheered throughout his speech and afterwards on his way to the train to return to Washington. He was introduced at the meeting by Mayor Blankenburg of Philadelphia, a naturalized American, who spoke with a distinct German accent, and who pleaded for an undivided Americanism in the present crisis. Several hundred police and detectives guarded the president against possible violence while he was in Philadelphia.

Samuel Bentley was in town from his place near Thomas Saturday.

H. A. Summers of near Thomas, attended to business in the city today.

H. E. Mock of near Seneca, was a business visitor and trader in town today.

A. W. Thompson returned Wednesday from a business visit to Denver.

E. N. Miller of near Seneca, was a business visitor and trader in town Friday.

Fred C. Ley of near Wanette, attended to business in the city Wednesday.

A. F. Roberts of near Grenville, attended too business in the county seat Friday.

Eifer Cudde is moving his store this week into the building formerly occupied by the Owl cafe.

"Dad" Fuller, popularly known as Rain-in-the-face, has accepted a position with Ollie B. Cox in the Electric Shoe Shop.

Glas. W. Sandford, one of our particular friends of the Seneca country, was in the city today attending to business and trading.

Lost.—Keyring containing six or eight keys, and aluminum plate with name of Harvey F. Gilbert, Washburn, Texas. Return to above address and receive reward of \$1.

On Tuesday, May 11, at Dalhart, Texas, Miss Mary Alford, a Clayton girl, was married to Guy Good, an employee of the Eklund company. They will reside at the Eklund dairy.

Dr. Chilton, Geo. H. Wade, Ira L. Pennington, and Morgan Harvey left today for a week's fishing at Springer Lake in Colfax county. Fishing stories will be the rage when they return.

Hon. Howell Earnest, state traveling auditor and secretary to the state tax commission, spent several days in the city this week looking after business and meeting his host of friends. Mr. Earnest is a Clayton man, and Clayton is always glad to welcome him.